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Many New Faces Expected In Opening Day Lineup

When the Newmarket Saints open their 2010 season at home on April 30th against the expansion Toronto Beaches Jr. B lacrosse team fans should expect to see a number of new faces in the lineup.

The Saints who finished the 2009 season with a record of 16 wins and 4 losses for 2nd place in the Mid East Division have graduated 8 overage players. In addition the Saints have as many as 7 players who dressed for them during the 2009 season away at school in the U.S. who are not expected to return until mid May at the earliest.

In spite of this situation General Manager and Head Coach Luke Ringler and his coaching staff are confident they will be ready when opening day rolls around.

"That's junior lacrosse", coach Ringler explains, "Many teams find themselves in this situation. We will still have a strong nucleus of our returning players in training camp and available for the start of the season. This will give many of the young players trying to make our squad a perfect opportunity early in the season to step up and show us what they can do."

The Saints who begin their pre season workouts Saturday February 13th at Cardinal Carter High School in Aurora are expecting a large number of new hopefuls in camp this year. The strong show of interest in Ringler's opinion is due to the success the club has had in its 2 seasons since moving to Newmarket from Scarborough. In 2008 the Saints finished with a 14-6 record and followed that up last year with the 16-4 campaign.

"Everyone wants to play for a winner," Ringler claims. "We expect a very competitive camp this year."

Details on the Saints pre season workout/tryout schedule as well as the 2010 game schedule can be found at www.newmarketsaintslacrosse.com.